

RESOLUTION OF THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
RE: MODIFICATION OF THE URBAN RENEWAL PLAN OF THE  
SOUTH END URBAN RENEWAL AREA, PROJECT NO. MASS. R-56  
AND AUTHORIZATION TO PROCLAIM BY CERTIFICATE THESE  
MINOR MODIFICATIONS

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WHEREAS, the Urban Renewal Plan for the South End Urban Renewal Area was adopted by the Boston Redevelopment Authority on September 23, 1965 and approved by the City Council of the City of Boston on December 6, 1965 and

WHEREAS, Section 1201 of Chapter 12 of said Plan entitled: "Modifications" provides that the Urban Renewal Plan may be modified at any time by the Boston Redevelopment Authority without further approval provided that the proposed modifications do not substantially or materially later or change the Plan; and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the Authority that the minor modification with respect to property at 611 Tremont Street is consistent with the objective of the South End Urban Renewal Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Authority is cognizant to Chapter 781 of the Acts and Resolves of 1972 with respect to minimizing and preventing damage to the environments;

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment to the Plan is a minor change and may be adopted within the discretion of the Authority pursuant to Section 1201 of said Plan:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY THAT:

Pursuant to Section 1201 thereof of the South End Urban Renewal Plan Mass. R-56, be and hereby is amended by:

1. That Map No. 1, "Property Map", is hereby modified by the addition of number 611 Tremont Street.
2. That the proposed modification is found to be a minor modification which does not substantially or materially alter or change the Plan;
3. That all other provisions of said Plan not inconsistent herewith be and are continuing in full force and effect;
4. That it is hereby found and determined that the proposed development will not result in significant damage to or impairment of the environment and further, that all practicable and feasible means and measures have been taken and are being utilized to avoid or minimize damage to the environment.
5. That the Director be and hereby is authorized to proclaim by certificate these minor modifications of the Plan, all in accordance with the provisions of the Urban Renewal Handbook RHM 7202.1, Circular dated June 3, 1970.
6. That the Director of Real Estate be and hereby is authorized to obtain appraisals and to negotiate the acquisition of the subject properties.



April 3, 1975

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TO: BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

FROM: Robert T. Kenney, Director

SUBJECT: SOUTH END URBAN RENEWAL AREA, PROJECT NO. MASS. R-56  
Proclaimer of Minor Modification of the Urban Renewal Plan  
Certain property at 611 Tremont Street

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SUMMARY: This memorandum requests that the Authority:

- 1.) Adopt a Minor Modification of the South End Urban Renewal Plan with respect to the property at 611 Tremont Street.
- 2.) Authorize the Director to proclaim by certificate this minor modification.
- 3.) Further authorize the Director of Real Estate to negotiate the acquisition of this property.

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One of the long standing objectives of the South End Urban Renewal Plan is to remove incompatible land use and property uses and especially non-residential uses, from the residential community, so as to improve the residential environment. Section 403 of the South End Urban Renewal Plan provides for the acquisition of properties to meet these objectives.

This property, 611 Tremont Street is operated as a bar.

By general consensus of responsible South End community groups, their continued existence is a blighting influence on a neighborhood which is striving to reinforce its residential qualities through widespread rehabilitation and new housing developments.

This property is incompatible with the surrounding redeveloped uses and is in conflict with South End Renewal Objectives for residential neighborhoods.

Pursuant to Section 403 of the Plan, it is therefore advisable to add the acquisition of 611 Tremont Street to the South End Urban Renewal Plan.

The proposed modification is minor and does not substantially or materially alter or change the Plan. This modification may, therefore, be effected by vote of the Authority, pursuant to Section 1201 of the South End Urban Renewal Plan.

An appropriate Resolution is attached.



